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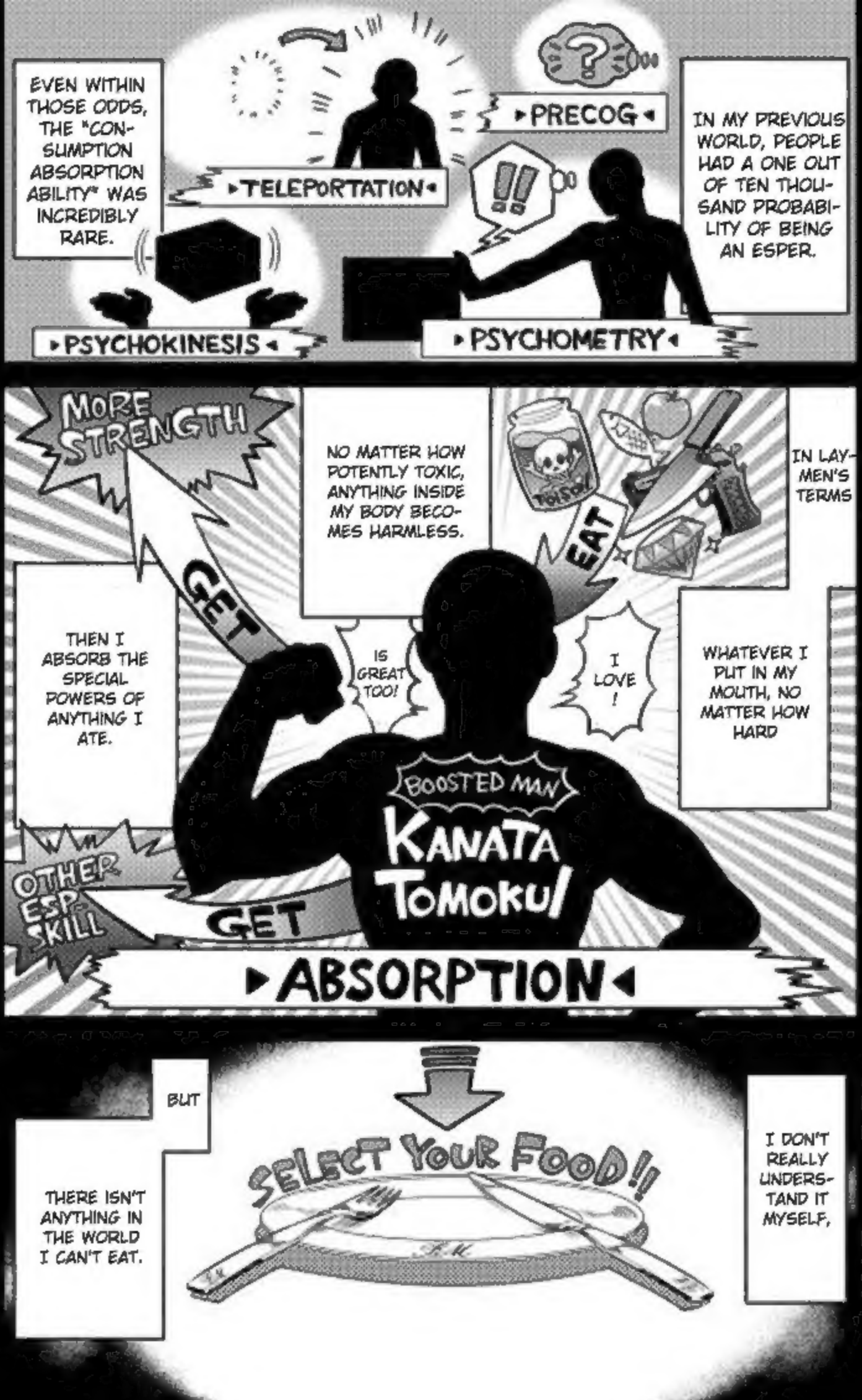
【 DAY 5 】

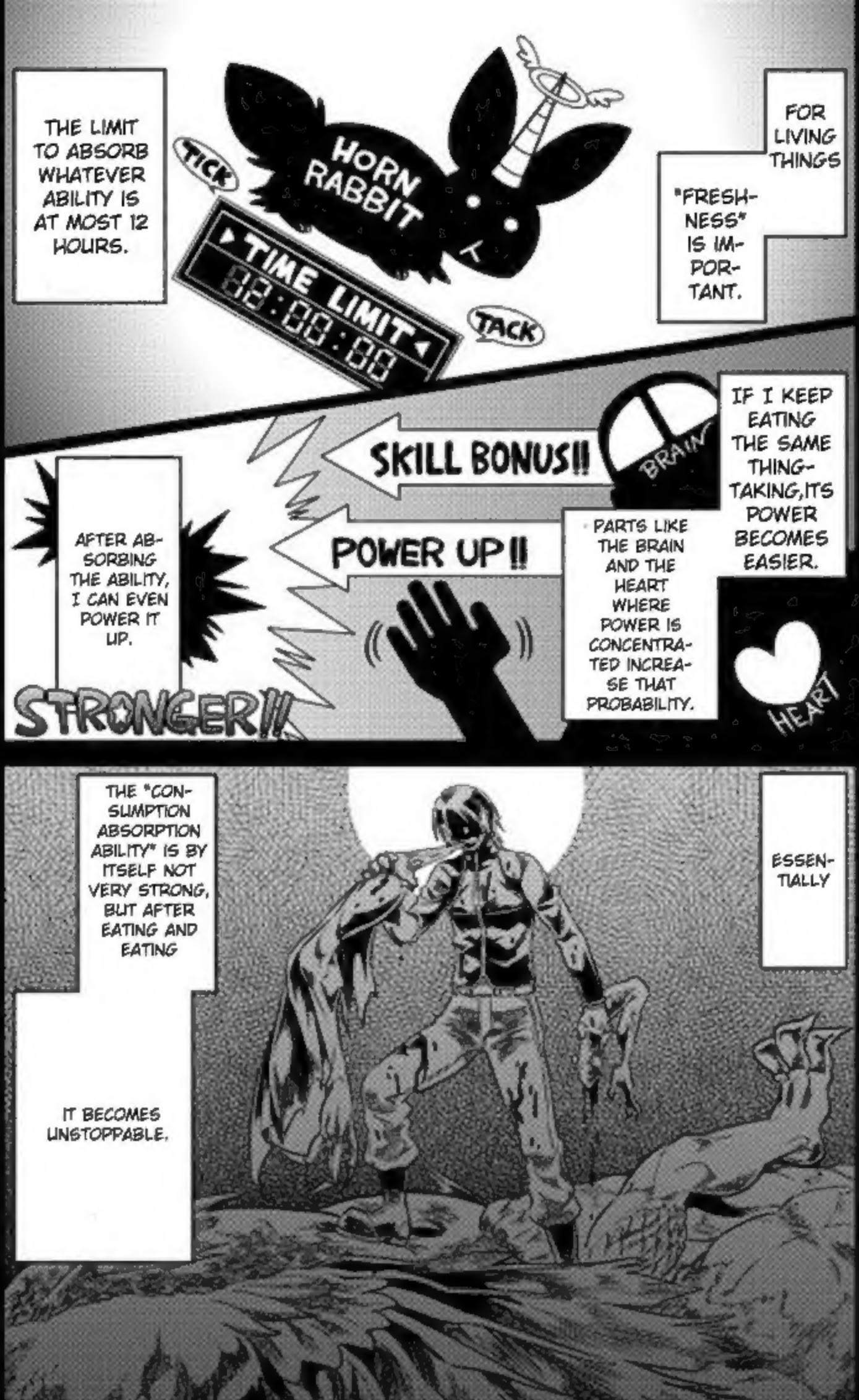
THE MOST
LEGENDARY HORN

?
NOTHING, DAMMIT.
IT'S A NICE DAY, ISN'T IT...
AH, UH ...
?
LEAVING MY EMBARRASSING THOUGHTS ASIDE
(I GOT THIS YESTERDAY TOO) THANKS TO GOBLIN KICHI'S FAST REFLEXES
▷ GOBLIN ROU HAS OBTAINED "MEDIUM ANIMAL HORN"!!
I THINK I JUST HEARD SOMETHING AGAIN ...
SO SHARING WITH GOBLIN KICHI WASN'T A PROBLEM.
COMPARED TO LAST TIME, WE GOT A BIG SCORE

▷ YOU LEARNED THE ABILITY "ESCAPE"

IT SEEMS I KEPT "AB-SORPTION" AFTER REIN-CARNATING AS A GOBLIN.


EVEN WITHIN THOSE ODDS, THE "CONSUMPTION ABSORPTION ABILITY" WAS INCREDIBLY RARE.
▸TELEPORTATION◂
▸PRECOG◂
IN MY PREVIOUS WORLD, PEOPLE HAD A ONE OUT OF TEN THOUSAND PROBABILITY OF BEING AN ESPER.
▸PSYCHOKINESIS◂
▸PSYCHOMETRY◂
MORE STRENGTH
GET
NO MATTER HOW POTENTLY TOXIC, ANYTHING INSIDE MY BODY BECOMES HARMLESS.
EAT
IN LAYMEN'S TERMS
THEN I ABSORB THE SPECIAL POWERS OF ANYTHING I ATE.
IS GREAT TOO!
I LOVE !
WHATEVER I PUT IN MY MOUTH, NO MATTER HOW HARD
BOOSTED MAN
KANATA TOMOKU!
IN OTHER ESP SKILL
GET
▸ABSORPTION◂
BUT
THERE ISN'T ANYTHING IN THE WORLD I CAN'T EAT.
SELECT YOUR FOOD!!
I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND IT MYSELF,


THE LIMIT TO ABSORB WHATEVER ABILITY IS AT MOST 12 HOURS.
TICK
HORN RABBIT
TIME LIMIT
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TACK
FOR LIVING THINGS "FRESHNESS" IS IMPORTANT.
SKILL BONUS!!
BRAIN
IF I KEEP EATING THE SAME THING-TAKING,ITS POWER BECOMES EASIER.
AFTER ABSORBING THE ABILITY, I CAN EVEN POWER IT UP.
POWER UP!!
PARTS LIKE THE BRAIN AND THE HEART WHERE POWER IS CONCENTRATED INCREASE THAT PROBABILITY.
HEART
STRONGER!!
THE "CONSUMPTION ABSORPTION ABILITY" IS BY ITSELF NOT VERY STRONG, BUT AFTER EATING AND EATING
IT BECOMES UNSTOPPABLE.
ESSENTIALLY

I HAD A COUNTLESS NUMBER OF USEFUL SUPER-POWERS, BUT...
I DEVOURED CREATURES OF MASS DESTRUCTION AND EVIL-DOING ESPERS.
AND LIKE THAT, BEFORE BEING REBORN
ALL RIGHT
LET'S KEEP AT IT.
BUT,
I BELIEVE THE "CONSUMPTION ABSORPTION ABILITY" IS PLENTY ENOUGH TO MAKE UP FOR IT.
IT'S A DAMN SHAME THAT RIGHT NOW, ALL OF MY ABILITIES HAVE BEEN RESET
I EVEN HAD THINGS LIKE "PRECOG" TOO, MAN...
I CAN JUST GET BACK MY OTHER ABILITIES.
THIS ABILITY'S EFFECT LETS ME EAT REPULSIVE, MYSTERIOUS INSECTS WITHOUT HESITATION.

RE-CENTLY, I GOT "ESCAPE"
WHY DOES IT STANDS ITS GROUND INSTEAD OF RUNNING AWAY?
IT SEEMS LIKE AN ABI-LITY THAT LETS YOU RUN AWAY FASTER.
AFTER FILLING OUR STOMA-CHS WITH THIS AND THAT
GOBU-KICHI-KUN BEGAN TO LOOK UP TO ME.
LOOKS LIKE HE KNOWS WHERE HE STANDS IN THIS RELA-TIONSHIP.

DAY 6
EHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH
THAT'S AMAZING!
YOU'RE EATING HORNED RABBIT,
YOU'RE THAT STRONG?
THE ONE ASKING IS CALLED GOBBI--CHAN.
IT LOOKS LIKE HORNED RABBITS ARE TOO TOUGH FOR NEWBORN GOBLINS.
SO
IT SEEMS THE NATURALLY GIFTED HAVE ALL LEFT THE CAVE. NOT SURE ABOUT THIS ONE.
E-
EHH ...
TREE NUTS 'N STUFF ...
...THEN WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN EATING UNTIL NOW?

ACCORDING TO GOBBI-CHAN,
IT SEEMS LIKE OTHER GOBLINS WOULD GET IMPALED BY ITS HORN.
YOU SHI-TTIN' ME?
I SAID UNIN-TENTIO-NALLY.
AHH, BUT IT SEEMS LIKE IT WOULD HAPPEN.
BECAUSE
THEY'RE RETARDS.
GOBLIN:
SMALL
WEAK
STUPID
FOR THE TREE BRANCH WIELDING
CLUELESS GOBLINS, IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT THEY WOULD GET A HORN JAMMED INTO THEIR GUTS...
BUT
IT'S JUST RE-CENTLY I'VE NOTICED THAT OTHERS HAVE BEEN MIMICKING US AND HAVE STARTED CAR-RYING AROUND STICKS.
WELL, I GUESS IT'S A GOOD THING.

YOU'RE CALLED GOBU-ROU?
IT REALLY IS AMA-ZING
YOU'RE STRONG AND SMART
THAT'S REALLY COOL!
EVEN THOUGH EVERYONE LOOKS THE SAME!?
R-REALLY?
圧倒的
本気
YEAH!
THE OTHERS CAN'T EVEN COMPARE!
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C-O-O-L!?

THAT'S NICE. (MONOTONE)
UHH. NORMAL?
REALLY.
WELL, WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT GOBUKICHI--KUN?
COME TO THINK OF IT, WHAT IS A HOT GOBLIN SUPPOSED TO BE?
I GUESS SERIOUS GOBLINS ARE POPULAR
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THEN LET'S GO HUNTING TODAY TOO.
IT IS AROUND THAT TIME.
... I'M HUNGRY.
HM?
WHAT'S UP GOBUKICHI--KUN?
YOU WANT TO COME TOO?
.. GOBBI--CHAN

EH!?
EH?
..... EH
WELL, I WON'T ASK YOU TO DO ANYTHING IMPOSSIBLE.
YOU'VE TAUGHT ME MANY THINGS. IT'S TO THANK YOU.
YOU PROBABLY CAN'T GO AROUND SWINGING TREE BRANCHES, RIGHT?
Ugh
DID I SAY SOMETHING BAD?
... HUH

REALLY !?
CAN I REALLY!?
I'M SO HAPPY!
THANK YOU GOBUROU!!
YOU REALLY ARE COOL!
UH... SURE...
IF YOU THINK SO THEN ALL RIGHT.
IF THIS WERE NORMAL HUMAN CHILDREN THEN THIS IS WHERE LIKES AND LOVES WOULD BE BLOOMING.
BUT THEY'RE GOBLINS.
AND LIKE THAT, THE THREE GOBS MERRILY WENT ON HUNTING.
HORNED RABBITS ARE SERIOUSLY DELISH (°Д° ‡)

【 DAY 7 】
IT'S RAINING TODAY SO WE'VE PUT HUNTING ON HOLD.
INSTEAD WE LEISURELY TRY OUR HAND AT CRAFTING.
I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE DECENT QUALITY PELTS, SO I TRIED TO FASHION A KNIFE.
YESTERDAY AT A DRY RIVERBED, I PICKED UP AN OBSIDIAN--LOOKING BLACK ORE.
WITH THIS WE CAN FINALLY GET RID OF THESE SHITTY RAGS.

OUR WORKS-IN--PROGRESS DREW A CROWD OF THOSE AROUND THE SAME AGE.
THE OLDER ONES JUST SMILED, AND I JUST IGNORED THEM AL
THEY DON'T KNOW IF THEY SHOULD GET IN THE WAY OR NOT
WE MADE THREE KNIFE PROTOTYPES AND FI-NISHED WORKING.
JUST AFTER NOON, WITH GOBUKICHI--KUN AND GOBBI-CHAN, THE THREE OF US
THOUGHT OF A NEW HUNTING FORMAT, AND...
WHAT'RE YOU FELLAR'S WORKIN' ON?
THAT'S GOOD STUFF
YEP.
THIS IS THE OLD (AROU-ND 20 YEARS OLD) GRAMPA GOBLIN.

EXCEPT FOR THE USEFUL THINGS, SUCH AS THIS WORLD'S "RANK UP" SYSTEM, I'LL SPARE THE DETAILS.
I PAUSED THE STRATEGY MEETING SO THAT I COULD LISTEN TO GRAMPA GOBLIN'S STORIES.
WHAT THE ELDER KNOWS COULD PROVE TO BE VERY USEFUL IN THE FUTURE.
ANYWAYS, OUTSIDE OF THE FOREST, HE WAS WORKING AWAY FROM HOME... BASICALLY, HE WAS OUT PILLAGING.
RISKING HIS LIFE, USING HIS STRENGTH AND WIT.A PLACE WHERE ONLY THE STRONGEST SURVIVED.
WHAT INTERESTED ME WAS OF A YOUNG SERVANT... OUR PARENT'S GENERATION WASN'T THERE FOR IT, BUT
.....
EVEN THEN, IN 20 YEARS I'LL END UP LIKE THIS...
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO LIVE A LONGER LIFE
HUH
IT'S SO DIFFICULT YOU COULD CRY,
BUT THIS GENERATION IS A BUNCH OF PEOPLE WHO CAN ONLY COPY US, SO OUR CHANCES OF SURVIVAL ARE PRETTY HIGH.

IS LEAVING BEHIND DESCENDANTS IS A SPECIAL GOBLIN CHARACTERISTIC? OR IF IT'S JUST BECAUSE HE'S NEAR DEATH? ...I DON'T REALLY WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT.
NAMU ...
AFTER FINISHING HIS STORY, GRAMPA GOBLIN DISAPPEARED INTO THE STORAGE WAREHOUSE WITH A GRIN ON HIS FACE.
【 DAY 8 】
IN ORDER TO TEST THE NEW FORMATION, THE THREE GOBLINS WENT HUNTING.

IN CHARGE OF BACKUP WAS GOBBI-CHAN WITH THE SLINGSTAFF I MADE HER.
IT WAS EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE.

WITH ME AT MIDRANGE, AND GOBUKICHI--KUN AS THE FORWARD,
THE FORMATION IS FUNCTIONING EFFICIENTLY.
THANKS TO THAT, WE GOT A LARGE CATCH FILLED WITH NEW PREY
BUT THE TWO HUNGRY GOBLINS STILL SNUCK AND CAUGHT TWO HORNED RABBITS.
I DISASSEMBLED THEM INTO RAW MATERIALS AND ATE MANY THINGS
TODAY'S FIRST PREY: "LOST TANUKI".
I COULDN'T PIERCE ITS ARMOR WITH MY HORN. IT APPEARS TO BE MADE OUT OF MATERIALS I DON'T RECOGNIZE.
▷ LEARNED "GROW ARMORED SHELL"
THE ABILITY TO GROW METAL PLATES SEEMED USEFUL SO I ABSORBED IT.

TODAY'S SECOND PREY: "SEVEN COLORED BAT"
THE PRETTY SEVEN COLORED WINGS SEEM LIKE THEY ARE GOING TO BE PUT ON GOBBI-CHAN'S
IT'S TOO BAD BUT IT SEEMS I WON'T BE LEARNING ANYTHING THIS TIME.
TODAY'S THIRD PREY: "NIGHT VIPER"
I'VE BEEN THINKING MY PHYSICAL ABILITIES ARE A LITTLE LACKING, SO I HAVE GOOD EXPECTATIONS FOR THIS NEXT ONE.
THIS LAST ONE IS THE MAIN DISH.
LEARNED A BUNCH OF THINGS.
AND THEN JUST NOW'S LIGHT, EXCEEDINGLY DELICIOUS MEAL UNINTENTIONALLY LEAD BACK TO MY MISSION...
あっ これ絶対 酒に合う
WITH AN AWFULLY TOUGH PELT (THE KNIFE CHIPPED) I BUSTED THE HEAD OFF AND SHARED IT WITH EVERYONE.
▷ 能力名【赤外線感知】のラーニング完了
【蛇毒投与】のラーニング完了
▷ 能力名【猛毒耐性】のラーニング完了
▷ 能力名【気配察知】のラーニング完了
【蛇の魔眼】のラーニング完了
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GOBLI-ROU?
IT LOOKS LIKE THIS NIGHT VIPER ELEVATED MY ABILITY BY A LOT
THANKS TO MY ABSORPTION ABILITY, IF I EAT A CREATURE STRONGER THAN ME I WOULD GAIN SEVERAL MORE ABILITIES.
N-NO, I REALLY CAN'T GIVE THIS ONE.
YOU DON'T WANT TO EAT ITS HEAD?
THANKS TO MY ABSORPTION ABILITY, IF I EAT A CREATURE STRONGER THAN ME I WOULD GAIN SEVERAL MORE ABILITIES.
SAY, IF I APPLY THIS SNAKE'S ABILITY WITH A WEAPON IT WOULD PROBABLY SECRETE THE TOXIC FROM THE POINTY END.
THERE'S ACTUALLY POISON IN IT.
CAN YOU GIVE ME THAT?
I WANT TO FIND A OPPONENT TO TEST THIS AGAINST RIGHT ABOUT NOW.
THIS IS PROBABLY THE WAY TO USE IT
I TOLD YOU I WILL TAKE RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP THIS FIRST!
HUH? WHY? WHY?!
YOU TOLD US YOU'LL SHARE HALF OF IT!
-THROUGH THE ANTITOXIN ABILITY I ACQUIRED WAS USELESS BECAUSE I ALREADY HAVE THE ABSORPTION ABILITY,
I'LL PROBABLY BE DEAD BY (EATING) THE FIRST SNAKE WITHOUT IT.
▶ CONTINUE